

## REISSUE APPLICATION BY ASSIGNEE

## DECLARATION BY ASSIGNEE

I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address, and citizenship are stated below next to my name.

I am authorized to act on behalf of the assignee Rockwell Science Center and the title of my position with said assignee is Intellectual Property Counsel. The entire title to the patent identified below is vested in said assignee.

Name of Patentee: Bruce K. Winker

Patent Number: 5,612,801

Date Patent Issued: March 18, 1997

Title of Invention: Monolithic optical compensation device for improved viewing angle in liquid crystal displays

I believe said patentee is the original, first, and sole inventor of the subject matter which is described and claimed in said patent, for which a reissue patent is sought on the invention entitled Monolithic optical compensation device for improved viewing angle in liquid crystal displays, the specification of which is attached hereto.

I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in 37 CFR 1.56.

I believe the original patent to be wholly or partly inoperative or invalid, for the reasons described below:

- by reason of a defective specification or drawing.
- by reason of the patentee claiming more or less than he had the right to claim in the patent.
- by reason of other errors.

At least one error upon which reissue is based is described as follows:

The invention which is described and taught by the specification is a monolithic optical compensator containing at least one positively birefringent O-plate compensating element, but the claims are not limited to compensators having at least one positively birefringent O-plate (the only additions to and omissions from this reissue application, per 37 C.F.R. 1.173, are in Claim 1, Lines 2, 5 and 6).

This reissue application is being filed pursuant to an Order in Winker (Patent No. 5,612,801) v. Abileah (Application No. 08/881,667), Patent Interference No. 104,372, Paper No. 17, Dated November 10, 1999.

**REISSUE APPLICATION BY ASSIGNEE****OFFER TO SURRENDER PATENT**

This is part of the application for a reissue patent based on the original patent identified below.

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Rockwell Science Center is the assignee of the entire interest in the original patent, as evidenced by an assignment recorded in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on 12/15/94 at Reel 7266, Frame 0645.

I am authorized to act on behalf of the assignee. The assignee hereby offers to surrender the original patent.

All statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true. These statements are made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under 18 U.S.C. 1001 and may jeopardize the validity of this application, any patent issued thereon, or any patent to which this declaration is directed.

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